

**ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING
EXAMINING BOARD[193C]**

Notice of Intended Action

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)"b."

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 542B.6, the Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 4, "Engineering Licensure," Iowa Administrative Code.

Item 1 of these amendments clarifies the components of the work project statement and indicates that the Board will only approve work project statements that include all of the components listed in the rule. Item 2 of these amendments removes the requirement that all applicants for licensure by comity must submit three references and allows the applicant to submit one or more references that verify at least four years of satisfactory experience after receipt of the qualifying degree.

Any interested person may make written or oral suggestions or comments on the proposed amendments on or before January 6, 2009. Comments should be directed to Gleen Coates, Executive Officer, Iowa Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board, 1920 SE Hulsizer Road, Ankeny, Iowa 50021; by telephone at (515)281-7360; or by E-mail to gleen.coates@iowa.gov.

Waiver of these rules may be sought pursuant to 193—Chapter 5.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code sections 542B.2, 542B.13, 542B.14, 542B.15, 542B.17 and 542B.20.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 4.1(4) as follows:

4.1(4) Work project description. An applicant for initial licensure as a professional engineer must include with the application a work project statement of approximately 200 words describing a significant project on which the applicant worked closely during the previous 12 months. The board will review all work project statements and will only approve those that include all of the components listed below in paragraphs "a" through "d" and meet the criteria listed in paragraph "e."

a. The statement shall describe the applicant's degree of responsibility for the project ~~and~~.

b. The statement shall identify the project's owner and its location.

c. The statement shall include the name of the supervisor in charge of the project and, if the supervisor is a professional engineer, the license number of the supervisor.

d. The statement shall be signed and dated.

e. Criteria the board shall use in evaluating the acceptability of the project as qualifying experience for the applicant shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

~~a-~~ (1) The degree to which the project and the experience described have progressed from assignments typical of initial assignments to those more nearly expected of a licensed professional;

~~b-~~ (2) The scope and quality of the professional tutelage experienced by the applicant;

~~c-~~ (3) The technical decisions required of the applicant in the project; and

~~d-~~ (4) The professional decisions required of the applicant.

The board reserves the right to contact the employer and the person providing tutelage on the project for information about the project experience presented to the applicant.

ITEM 2. Amend subrule 4.2(1) as follows:

4.2(1) References. ~~An applicant for licensure by comity shall submit three references on forms provided by the board, at least two of which shall be from licensed professional engineers.~~ An applicant

for licensure by comity shall submit references to verify at least four years of satisfactory experience after the receipt of the qualifying degree. This experience must be under the supervision of a licensed professional engineer, or the applicant must provide unlicensed tutelage references verifying at least four years of satisfactory engineering experience. The board reserves the right to contact employers for information about the applicant's professional experience and competence.